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Inter-Governmental Tax Committee
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has supported the establishment of an inter-governmental Tax committee at the United Nations with a move towards a more just global tax regime;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the outcome of the progress made so far thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. India supported the establishment of an inter-governmental committee for international co-operation on tax matters at the Third UN International Conference on Financing for Development held at Addis Ababa during 13-16 July, 2015. At present, there is a Committee of Experts on international co-operation on tax matters in the UN in which the experts act in their personal capacity. India has supported the proposal for an official inter-governmental UN body to enhance the voice and participation of developing countries in international co-operation.

(c) The final outcome document of the Third UN International Conference on Financing for Development does not contain provision for establishment of an inter-governmental committee for international co-operation on tax matters and instead provides for strengthening the effectiveness and operational capacity of the existing Committee of Experts.